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City of Milpitas and Milpitas Unified School District are Working Together to Meet Community Needs During Extension of Shelter-In-Place

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Due to an order from the State of California, all schools will be closed through the remainder of the school year. Multiple Bay Area counties, including Santa Clara County, also updated the shelter-in-place order on March 31, 2020. As a result, Milpitas Unified School District is extending the use of EducatEverywhere, a flexible learning program, through the remainder of the school term. While campus locations are closed, school remains in session through distance learning. MUSD has launched a new webpage resource for parents who want to learn more about EducatEverywhere.

In addition, MUSD is surveying our community to determine the need to create an Essential Worker Childcare program. To qualify for this childcare option you must be a designated essential worker and unable to report to your position as an essential worker because you have no available childcare either through a licensed care provider, a relative, or another option. Please take the time to fill out our <u>Essential Worker Childcare Survey</u>.

MUSD's <u>"Grab and Go Meals"</u> will remain available to all youth under 18 years of age, including through Spring Break on April 13-17.

Educators are working on creative ways to deliver the best education possible, including virtual field trips, projects, lessons, and other activities that can be done by students at home. MUSD has created a <u>Parent & Student Resource Page</u> on their website to help families easily find important information.

The City of Milpitas is actively surveying the community to better understand what information the community needs in coping with the shelter-in-place order, especially related to City services and other resources. The survey will also help the City understand how this information

could be best conveyed to the community. The community survey is currently available in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Vietnamese. In addition, the City is also surveying Milpitas businesses to understand areas of need and determine best ways to assist and connect them to valuable information and resources; that survey will launch in multiple languages next week.

More information about community resources is available on the City's <u>COVID-19 resource</u> page.

The City of Milpitas urges all families to continue sheltering in place. As the weather becomes nicer, it may be difficult to stay indoors, but anyone who wishes to enjoy public parks is advised to practice safe social distancing and remain at least six feet away from anyone who is not part of their household. People can also avoid parks and crowds altogether by taking walks around their own neighborhood for exercise and to reduce park congestion.

Further, anyone who will be out in public is encouraged to wear a face covering, such as a simple mask, scarf, or any fabric that can cover the nose and mouth, in compliance with new CDC and Santa Clara County guidelines.

Milpitas Unified School District and the City of Milpitas will continue working together to protect the wellbeing of families, residents, and businesses throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.

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Stay informed. Information is changing frequently:

MUSD Coronavirus Webpage: <u>MUSD Coronavirus Webpage with Updates</u> City of Milpitas Coronavirus Webpage: <u>City of Milpitas Coronavirus Updates</u>

Public Health Website: http://sccphd.org/coronavirus

Public Health Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/sccpublichealth/

Public Health Instagram: @scc_publichealth

Public Health Twitter: @HealthySCC

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